

University Libraries and Partners Host: Open Access Week

October 21-25

The UMass Amherst Libraries will host a series of events relevant to open access, copyright and fair use, data sharing, electronic theses and dissertations, sustainability, and will celebrate their publishing services for open access journals and conferences.

Monday, October 21

Open Access Week Kickoff Webcast

Du Bois Library, Room 1620
3:00-4:00pm

We are pleased to announce the lineup of speakers for the SPARC/World Bank Global Open Access Week kickoff event. The library will host the SPARC/World Bank Global Open Access Week kickoff webcast, featuring a 60-minute panel discussion on the topic of "Open Access: Redefining Impact." Panelists include Dr. Stefano Bertuzzi, American Society for Cell Biology; Brett Bobley, National Endowment for the Humanities; Dr. Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Modern Language Association; Dr. Cameron Neylon, Public Library of Science; and Dr. Michael Stebbins, White House Office of Science & Technology Policy. For more information about the event program, visit: www.sparc.arl.org/events/oaweek2013kickoff

Tuesday, October 22

Publishing Your Dissertations: Open Access / Embargo / Other Options? What's In Your Best Interest?

A workshop for Humanities faculty and graduate students
Herter Hall, Room 601
4:00-5:30pm

Wednesday, October 23

Open Access, Copyright, and Fair Use

A workshop for graduate students
Du Bois Library, Room 1320
12:00-1:30 pm

Sustainability Resources Workshop

Du Bois Library, Room 2601
2:00-3:00pm

Thursday, October 24

Open Access Information Fair

Du Bois Library, Lower Level
1:00-3:00pm
Representatives from Wikipedia, the UMass Knowledge Commons Workshop, Pioneer Valley Open Science, the UMass Amherst Libraries, and others will share openly accessible resources, and help with opening access for all.



Friday, October 25

Du Bois Library, Room 2601

Data Sharing and Data Access and Re-use Panel

Noon-1:00pm

Access to existing research data is fundamental to the research process. A panel of researchers will talk about the ways they use the data gathered by others, and the obstacles to data access and re-use.

- Thomas Herndon, Graduate Student in Economics. His work "sparked an academic and political firestorm over one of the most famous economic papers in decades, and over whether austerity or stimulus is the best route to long-term prosperity," according to The Boston Globe.
- Irene Boeckmann, Graduate Student in Sociology. Boeckmann is a PhD candidate in the Sociology department. Her research interests include gender, parenthood, labor market stratification, social policies and welfare states, and cross-nationally comparative analyses.

Celebrating Open Access Journals and Conferences

1:30-2:30pm

Through services offered by the University Libraries, faculty and researchers can create new open access journals and host scholarly conference proceedings. This session will showcase this service and celebrate the launch of two new open access journals and a long-standing conference.

- Communication + 1 <http://scholarworks.umass.edu/cpo/> provides an open forum for exploring and sharing ideas about communication across modes of inquiry and perspectives.
- Journal of Medicinally Active Plants <http://scholarworks.umass.edu/jmap/> facilitates scholarly exchange among those studying and/or interested in medicinally active plants and plant extracts.
- New England Conference for Student Success <http://scholarworks.umass.edu/student-success/>. Now in its 4th year, this conference focuses on a wide variety of themes central to student success.

Co-sponsored by the University Libraries, the Communication Department, Stockbridge School of Agriculture, and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.